

# **Avoid being Zalim**

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Linguistically arabic word “Zulam” means to place some thing some where other than its designated place.

In the language of Qur'an, any one who did blasphemy, associated partners with Allah or did not obey Him is “Zalim”.

Let us read following verses and pray to Allah to save us from being “Zalim” (Ameen).

وَقُلْنَا يَا آدَمُ اسْكُنْ أَنْتَ وَزَوْجُكَ الْجَنَّةَ وَكُلَا مِنْهَا رَغَدًا  
حَيْثُ شِئْتُمَا وَلَا تَقْرَبَا هَذِهِ الشَّجَرَةَ فَتَكُونَا مِنَ

الظَّالِمِينَ ﴿٣٥﴾

﴿سُورَةُ الْبَقَرَةِ 35﴾

And We said, "O Adam, dwell, you and your wife, in Paradise and eat therefrom in [ease and] abundance from wherever you will. But do not approach this tree, lest you be among the wrongdoers."

وَلَقَدْ جَاءَكُمْ مُوسَىٰ بِالْبَيِّنَاتِ ثُمَّ اتَّخَذْتُمُ الْعِجْلَ مِن  
بَعْدِهِ وَأَنْتُمْ ظَالِمُونَ ﴿٩٢﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ الْبَقَرَةِ 92﴾

And Moses had certainly brought you clear proofs. Then you took the calf [in worship] after that, while you were wrongdoers.

تِلْكَ حُدُودُ اللَّهِ وَمَنْ يُطِيعِ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ يُدْخِلْهُ جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرَى  
مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا وَذَلِكَ الْفَوْزُ الْعَظِيمُ ﴿١٣﴾  
﴿سُورَةُ النَّسَاءِ 13﴾

These are the limits [set by] Allah, and whoever obeys Allah and His Messenger will be admitted by Him to gardens [in Paradise] under which rivers flow, abiding eternally therein; and that is the great attainment.

أَمْ يَحْسُدُونَ النَّاسَ عَلَىٰ مَا آتَاهُمُ اللَّهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ فَقَدْ  
آتَيْنَا آلَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَآتَيْنَاهُمْ مُلْكًا  
عَظِيمًا ﴿٥٤﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ النَّسَاءِ 54﴾

Or do they envy people for what Allah has given them of His bounty? But we had already given the family of Abraham the Scripture and wisdom and conferred upon them a great kingdom.

قَالَ مَعَاذَ اللَّهِ أَنْ نَأْخُذَ إِلَّا مَنْ وَجَدْنَا مَتَاعَنَا عِنْدَهُ إِنَّا إِذَا

لَظَالِمُونَ ﴿٧٩﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ يُوسُفَ 79﴾

He said, "[I seek] the refuge of Allah [to prevent] that we take except him with whom we found our possession. Indeed, we would then be unjust."

وَتِلْكَ الْقُرَى أَهْلَكْنَاهُمْ لَمَّا ظَلَمُوا وَجَعَلْنَا لِمَهْلِكِهِمْ

مَوْعِدًا ﴿٥٩﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ الْكَهْفِ 59﴾

And those cities - We destroyed them when they wronged, and We made for their destruction an appointed time.

أَسْمِعْ بِهِمْ وَأَبْصِرْ يَوْمَ يَأْتُونَنَا لَكِنِ الظَّالِمُونَ الْيَوْمَ فِي  
ضَلَالٍ مُبِينٍ ﴿٣٨﴾ سُورَةُ مَرْيَمَ 38

How [clearly] they will hear and see the Day they come to Us, but the wrongdoers today are in clear error.

وَعَنَتِ الْوُجُوهُ لِلْحَيِّ الْقَيُّومِ وَقَدْ خَابَ مَنْ حَمَلَ ظُلْمًا ﴿١١١﴾  
سُورَةُ طه 111

And [all] faces will be humbled before the Ever-Living, the Sustainer of existence. And he will have failed who carries injustice.

قَالُوا يَا وَيْلَنَا إِنَّا كُنَّا ظَالِمِينَ ﴿١٤﴾  
سُورَةُ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ 14

They said, "O woe to us! Indeed, we were wrongdoers."

وَأَقْتَرَبَ الْوَعْدُ الْحَقُّ فَإِذَا هِيَ شَاخِصَةٌ أَبْصَارُ الَّذِينَ  
كَفَرُوا يَا وَيْلَنَا قَدْ كُنَّا فِي غَفْلَةٍ مِنْ هَذَا بَلْ كُنَّا

ظَالِمِينَ ﴿٩٧﴾ سُورَةُ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ ٩٧

And [when] the true promise has approached;  
then suddenly the eyes of those who  
disbelieved will be staring [in horror, while they  
say], "O woe to us; we had been unmindful of  
this; rather, we were wrongdoers."

فَقَدْ كَذَّبُوكُمْ بِمَا تَقُولُونَ فَمَا تَسْتَطِيعُونَ صَرْفًا وَلَا نَصْرًا  
وَمَنْ يَظْلِمْ مِنْكُمْ نَذِقْهُ عَذَابًا كَبِيرًا ﴿١٩﴾

﴿سُورَةُ الْفُرْقَانِ 19﴾

So they will deny you, [disbelievers], in what  
you say, and you cannot avert [punishment] or  
[find] help. And whoever commits injustice  
among you - We will make him taste a great  
punishment.

وَجَحَدُوا بِهَا وَاسْتَيْقَنَتْهَا أَنْفُسُهُمْ ظُلْمًا وَعُلُوًّا فَانْظُرْ

كَيْفَ كَانَ عَاقِبَةُ الْمُفْسِدِينَ ﴿١٤﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ النَّملِ 14﴾

And they rejected them, while their [inner] selves were convinced thereof, out of injustice and haughtiness. So see how was the end of the corrupters.

وَوَقَعَ الْقَوْلُ عَلَيْهِمْ بِمَا ظَلَمُوا فَهُمْ لَا يَنْطِقُونَ ﴿٨٥﴾

﴿سُورَةُ النَّملِ 85﴾

And the decree will befall them for the wrong they did, and they will not [be able to] speak.

وَمَا كَانَ رَبُّكَ مُهْلِكَ الْقُرَىٰ حَتَّىٰ يَبْعَثَ فِي أُمِّهَا رَسُولًا يَتْلُو  
عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِنَا وَمَا كُنَّا مُهْلِكِي الْقُرَىٰ إِلَّا وَأَهْلُهَا ظَالِمُونَ ﴿٥٩﴾

﴿سُورَةُ الْقَصَصِ 59﴾

And never would your Lord have destroyed the cities until He had sent to their mother a messenger reciting to them Our verses. And We

would not destroy the cities except while their people were wrongdoers.

وَلَقَدْ أَرْسَلْنَا نُوحًا إِلَىٰ قَوْمِهِ فَلَبِثَ فِيهِمْ أَلْفَ سَنَةٍ إِلَّا  
خَمْسِينَ عَامًا فَأَخَذَهُمُ الطُّوفَانُ وَهُمْ ظَالِمُونَ ﴿١٤﴾

﴿سُورَةُ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ 14﴾

And We certainly sent Noah to his people, and he remained among them a thousand years minus fifty years, and the flood seized them while they were wrongdoers.

وَلَمَّا جَاءَتْ رُسُلُنَا إِبْرَاهِيمَ بِالْبُشْرَىٰ قَالُوا إِنَّا مُهْلِكُوا أَهْلَ  
هَذِهِ الْقَرْيَةِ إِنَّ أَهْلَهَا كَانُوا ظَالِمِينَ ﴿٣١﴾

﴿سُورَةُ الْعَنْكَبُوتِ 31﴾

And when Our messengers came to Abraham with the good tidings, they said, "Indeed, we will destroy the people of that Lot's city. Indeed, its people have been wrongdoers."



فَيَوْمَئِذٍ لَا يَنْفَعُ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا مَعْذِرَتُهُمْ وَلَا هُمْ

يُسْتَعْتَبُونَ ﴿٥٧﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ الرُّومِ 57﴾

So that Day, their excuse will not benefit those who wronged, nor will they be asked to appease [Allah].

إِنَّا عَرَضْنَا الْأَمَانَةَ عَلَى السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَالْجِبَالِ فَأَبَيْنَ  
أَنْ يَحْمِلْنَهَا وَأَشْفَقْنَ مِنْهَا وَحَمَلَهَا الْإِنْسَانُ إِنَّهُ كَانَ ظَلُومًا

جَهُولًا ﴿٧٢﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ الْأَحْزَابِ 72﴾

Indeed, we offered the Trust to the heavens and the earth and the mountains, and they declined to bear it and feared it; but man [undertook to] bear it. Indeed, he was unjust and ignorant.

ثُمَّ أَوْرَثْنَا الْكِتَابَ الَّذِينَ اصْطَفَيْنَا مِنْ عِبَادِنَا فَمِنْهُمْ  
ظَالِمٌ لِنَفْسِهِ وَمِنْهُمْ مُقْتَصِدٌ وَمِنْهُمْ سَابِقٌ بِالْخَيْرَاتِ إِذْنِ  
اللَّهِ ذَلِكَ هُوَ الْفَضْلُ الْكَبِيرُ ﴿٣٢﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ فَاطِرٍ 32﴾

Then we caused to inherit the Book those We have chosen of Our servants; and among them is he who wrongs himself, and among them is he who is moderate, and among them is he who is foremost in good deeds by permission of Allah. That [inheritance] is what is the great bounty.

يَوْمَ لَا يَنْفَعُ الظَّالِمِينَ مَعَذِرَتُهُمْ وَلَهُمُ اللَّعْنَةُ وَلَهُمْ سُوءُ

الدَّارِ ﴿٥٢﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ غَافِرٍ 52﴾

The Day their excuse will not benefit the wrongdoers, and they will have the curse, and they will have the worst home.

إِنَّمَا السَّبِيلُ عَلَى الَّذِينَ يَظْلِمُونَ النَّاسَ وَيَبْغُونَ فِي الْأَرْضِ

بِغَيْرِ الْحَقِّ أُولَٰئِكَ لَهُمْ عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ ﴿٤٢﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ الشُّورَى 42﴾

The cause is only against the ones who wrong the people and tyrannize upon the earth without right. Those will have a painful punishment.

وَمِنْ قَبْلِهِ كِتَابُ مُوسَى إِمَامًا وَرَحْمَةً وَهَذَا كِتَابٌ مُصَدِّقٌ  
 لِّسَانًا عَرَبِيًّا لِّيُنذِرَ الَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا وَبُشْرَى لِلْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿١٢﴾  
 ﴿سُورَةُ الْأَحْقَافِ 12﴾

And before it was the scripture of Moses to lead and as a mercy. And this is a confirming Book in an Arabic tongue to warn those who have wronged and as good tidings to the doers of good.

فَإِنَّ لِلَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا ذُنُوبًا مِّثْلَ ذُنُوبِ أَصْحَابِهِمْ فَلَا  
 يَسْتَعْجِلُونَ ﴿٥٩﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ الذَّارِيَاتِ 59﴾

And indeed, for those who have wronged is a portion [of punishment] like the portion of their predecessors, so let them not impatiently urge Me.

وَإِنَّ لِلَّذِينَ ظَلَمُوا عَذَابًا دُونَ ذَلِكَ وَلَكِنَّ أَكْثَرَهُمْ لَا  
 يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٤٧﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ الطُّورِ 47﴾

And indeed, for those who have wronged is a punishment before that, but most of them do not know.

وَقَوْمَ نُوحٍ مِنْ قَبْلُ إِنَّهُمْ كَانُوا هُمْ أَظْلَمَ وَأَطْغَى ﴿٥٢﴾

﴿سُورَةُ النَّجْمِ 52﴾

And the people of Noah before. Indeed, it was they who were [even] more unjust and oppressing.

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّبِيُّ إِذَا طَلَّقْتُمُ النِّسَاءَ فَطَلِّقُوهُنَّ لِعَدَّتِهِنَّ  
وَأَحْصُوا الْعِدَّةَ وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ رَبَّكُمْ لَا تَخْرِجُوهُنَّ مِنْ  
بُيُوتِهِنَّ وَلَا يَخْرُجْنَ إِلَّا أَنْ يَأْتِيَنَّ بِفَاحِشَةٍ مُبَيِّنَةٍ وَتِلْكَ  
حُدُودُ اللَّهِ وَمَنْ يَتَعَدَّ حُدُودَ اللَّهِ فَقَدْ ظَلَمَ نَفْسَهُ لَا  
تَذَرِي لَعَلَّ اللَّهَ يُحْدِثُ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ أَمْرًا ﴿١﴾ ﴿سُورَةُ الطَّلَاقِ 1﴾

O Prophet, when you [Muslims] divorce women, divorce them for [the commencement of] their waiting period and keep count of the

waiting period, and fear Allah, your Lord. Do not turn them out of their [husbands'] houses, nor should they [themselves] leave [during that period] unless they are committing a clear immorality. And those are the limits [set by] Allah. And whoever transgresses the limits of Allah has certainly wronged himself. You know not; perhaps Allah will bring about after that a [different] matter.